A Most Disagracable System of Spying

Interstate Commerce Commission.

Considerable ill-feeling has been engendered among the higher officers of the Santa Fe because sliged "spotters" are being employed by the interested commerce commission to secure evidence. However, one of the women of the colony, who has been living in America in violation of the rules regarding the payment of rebates to shippers. The aporter is said to be employed by John Taylor aregist agent of the interstate commerce commission at Chicago. forty souls was started three years ago. The spotter is said to be J. A. Ownbey. when one family landed in New York ing to have their affairs investigated they | been in Topeka there have been several profest against the employment of spot- attitions from their eastern home which

Ownhey has been traveling over the Sagta Pe on passes which he obtained by America to live because they could make unknown mount, and has turned up at | more money here than at home. Santa Fc. His mission, he said, was to plained that they are the pedulers who look into the feasibility of an extension sell shawls, rugs and bric a brac from from the Pan-Handle to El Paso, Texas. house to house about the city. traveling in Texas, pretending to make cles, an investigation of the physical condition. They say it costs them no more to live the receivers. The people there evi-dently got onto him, as will be seen by The latest addition to the co

low such disreputable practices as indi-cated by Mr. Ownbey's action. If the government proposes to employ agents the colony are rather good looking, al-to induce ratiroids to violate the laws, I though their skins are dark and much \$2.00 pair Selling new for \$1.45 pair \$4.25 pair Selling new for \$2.89 pair think it is time such an administration | resemble the Italians or Greeks, another to work under such discsputable plans. Of course, the commission may not know that Mr. Taylor is employing any such people, but I think it should be advised of the fact. It is most unfortunate for Judas Iscariot that Taylor did not live in his this or we would proba-bly hever have neard of Judas, except as Would Not Prosecute. a bright and shining light, and exem-plary disciple."

The railroad man of the Chicago Tri-bune also knows something about Owenbey, and be says regarding him:

"About two weeks ago the Tribune re-ferred to one J. A. Ownbey, who called upon managers and traffic officials of western roads and claimed to some he was a Texas cattle shipper and to others a tourist agent. He wanted rebutes and cut rates, saying he had favorable offers from some of the roads. The railroads could readily see the man was not what Pe, and several prominent shippers. Special Agent Taylor was formerly general live stock agent of the Santa Fe and was discharged by Reinbart and Hanley and his action, it is claimed, was had in a spirit of revenge. All the alleged offenses for which the Santa Fe officials were indicted occurred when Taylor was in the employ of the road and he himself pald the rebates to shippers. To create an impression of fairness, it is

It appears this man Ownbey is quite a character, who a few years ago gained an unenviable and wide reputation by putting up the "allver pool job," which was investigated at the second session of the Fifty-first congress. The investigation showed him to be the champion prevari-cator of the age, and his work in this city and elsewhere during the last four weeks sustains his reputation in that respect

JUDGES OF ORATORY.

The Mon Who will Decide the Result of the State Contest,

The following gentlemen have been selected as judges in the scate orstorical contest: On thought and composition, Judge Stillwell, Erie; Judge J. D. Mc-Claverty, Ft. Scott; T.E. Dewey, Abilene, Alternates, Prof. Olin, Manhattan; Super. intendent Elehartison, Wichita; Dr. F. E. Vassar, Kansas City, Mo.; J. C. Gray, Ab-ilene; Judge Thompson, Burlingame; L. O. Pickering, Olathe.

On delivery, Ed Hoch, Marlon; Rev. Chas Mitchell, Kansas City, Mo.; Judge J. Howard. Alternates, Major William Warner, Kansas City, Mor. Senstor J. W. Parker, Olathe; Senator M. A. Householder, Columbus; Judge Herrick, Wellington; Rev. J. B. Richardson, Hiawaths; Prof. C. A. Clutz, Atchison. Special alternates on delivery, Bishop Vincent, Gen. J. C. Caldwell, Maj. J. K. Hudson, Chief Justice Horton, Associate

Justice Allen, John McDonald.

ALL FOR COLONEL HUGHES

The Republican Flambeau Club Endorses Him for Adjutant General.

Governor-elect Morrill of the club's ac-

court house Saturday night. The secretary was instructed to notify

It having been decided to keep up the organization, a committee was appointed to secure permanent quarters and a secand committee to revise the constitution. Another meeting will be held at the court house Saturday, December 8.

Corrigan Answers Father Ducey. New Yors, Nov. 26.—Archbishop Corrigan has answered Father Ducey's recent letter. Archbishop Corrigan's answer was in Father Ducey's hands this morning. The rector said that it was of a distinctly mild and courteous character. More than this Pather Ducey could not say. The archbishop had prefixed the word "private" to his communication.

BEWARE THE SPOTTER TOPEKA'S SYRIAN COLONY.

Many People From Far-off Damascus Living in This City.

It is not generally known, but it is a fact that Topeka has a Syrina colony within her borders. Located at 405 and 407 Crane street, ON THE SANTA FE OFFICIALS, are two story and a half houses in which

It is Said Has Reen Established by the

The officers say that while they are will- and started westward. Since they have ters to try and induce them to violate the was the city of Damasons, reputed to be Notting ham the oldest city in the world. The Syrian women said they came to

various points in the west and purported The men, said one of them to a re-to be the agent for the receivers of the porter, are merchants and she then ex-

lle visited prominent cattle raisers and shippers in the section of the country, and his evident desire appeared to be to secure evidence of violation of the interstate commerce law against Santa Fe officials and others. From a private letter received it appears Ownbey is still traveling in Texas, pretending to make

of the road in that part of the country for | in Topeka than it did in Damascus, but

dently got onto him, as will be seen by the following abstract from the letter young man arrived only three weeks ago; he has not yet learned enough of Ruffled Ruffled American people have risen up in arms and rebulce a government that will all fledged "merchant" in a very short

The young women and the children of and very stylish.

was 'sat down upon.' I hardly think When asked if she ever expected to go may man of respectability would employ back to Damascus, the woman with

UNIQUE RASCALITY.

A widow about whom there is a rather peculiar story was Saturday sent by some of the charitable people of Topeka to her former home and the home of relatives in Iowa. She had been a poor woman and lived

with her several small children in a small house. One day she came rather unexpectedly into possession of \$150. It was a fortupe to her and she made up her mind to save it.

She has been doing mending for a man could readily see the man was not what he pretended to be and summer and the interstate commissions who had a good position, and in her happiness she told of her good fortune. He was glad with her and called oftener. an agent of the interstate commission Their friendship extended and finally be

but loved the fellow still and would not

Funny about a woman, isn't it?

WAS IT TELEPATHY?

An Unusual Incident in Connection With

the Denth of a Topoles Lady. There was a remarkable incident in connection with the death of Mrs R. G. Martin who died last week at SI1 West walks under his contract. claimed, Taylor became anxious to work up some cases of violation of the interstate commerce law that occurred since death he was extremely restless. In the Many fish in the streams about to the Sania Fe went into the hands of re-the Sania Fe went into the hands of re-night he awoke with a start and says he are dying. The water is stagnant. western roads, and in order to do that he He became convinced that his mother for holding the state outcical contest. was dead, although he had not heard of so. With the aid of a match he looked at his watch and saw it was a few min-utes after 2:39 a. m. He did not sleep any more that night. The next morning he received a telegram which announced that his mother died at 2:30 that morning. The incident made a great impresfriends who have heard of it.

THE PIE-COUNTER RUSH.

Billy Edwards Says It Beats Anything He Ever Saw.

The rush for the Republican pie-counter is so great that even W. C. Edwards, observe that he "never saw anything like | in the spring, tra la. it." In a private letter received by a friend in Topeks, Mr. Edwards writes:
"I am just in receipt of your congratu- wells have gone dry.

lations and I want to congratulate you on being one of the few who are not candidnes for some appointment. I never saw such a rush in my life for the plecounter, and the parties asking for positions are all worthy of the same. But of course everybody will not be reached. I will be in Topeks on Monday or Tues-day. I want to appoint only such men as Havana, and R. B. Prather, agent at VI-new part. will give the administration strength in las, have traded stations. future battles."

LESS IMMIGRANTS.

There Has Been a Great Falling Off in People Coming to America.

Col. J. W. F. Hughes was endorsed for the appointment of adjutant general by the Republican Flambeau club at the terial falling off in the number of immigrants arriving in this country. He estimates that since October, 1893, the exodus of foreign steerage passengers from the United States has been greater than the number arriving, and therefore concludes that numerically there are now fewer of Englishers in the United States who come Africa. as steerage passengers than there were at the end of the fiscal year, 1893.

From the tables accompanying the report it appears that during the last fiscal year, 288,020 immigrants arrived in this country. Of these 285,631 were landed and 2,389 were debarred and deported.

Institute of Arts and Languages. Elecution, Pramutic Art. F. P. Cleaves, M. A., Instructor, Jackson and Eighth.

Prescott & Co. have removed to No. 115 West Eighth street.

READ.

Take Elevator to Second Ingrain Department on Floor and See What We Same Floor. our Syrian colonists reside and which are Doing in Our Carpet

Curtains.

The largest curtain sale shout three years and can talk a little that has ever taken place in for 30c a yard. Topeka. Profit cuts no fig-

> It is your opportunity to buy Curtains this week.

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READ.

We have three flyers; 25 This colony consists of ten men and between twenty and thirty women and children, the exact number of which could not easily be leave three fivers; 25 something for nearly noth-colors. This week only 79c 65c, 75c, 85c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25, ing—don't wait too long. a yard.

Our regular 48c Ingrain wide. This week 89c. for 36c a yard.

all wool for 48e. We are showing a hand some line of Ingrain Ar

Squares in all sizes. Couch Covers

\$1.88 Each. We have reduced the price of several pieces of our Cur tain Muslin by the yard—in narrow and wide widths.

READ.

Visit Our Dress Goods Art Needlework Department in the Rear Department. of South Aisle.

patterns to select from in Covert Cloth (English 7c, 121 and 20c, this department. If you want make), 54 inches wide, 8 Pin Cushions covered 50c,

Our regular 45c Ingrain 15 colors of Twillback Pin Cushion Tops, 15c, 20c, French Broadcloth, 54 ins. 25c, 35c, 45c, 50c and 75c.

Our regular 55c and 60c 17 French Pattern Suits.

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717-719 Kansas Avenue.

Curtains.

5.75 " " 4.10 "

Brussels Curtains. 7.38

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90c and \$1 a yard. Cretonne, in beautiful de-

signs, 12 e and 15c a yard. Silkoline, plain and fig- 18c and up. ured, 10c and 15c a yard. Jute, for furniture cover- at the popular prices.

ing, 50e and up.

Carpet Sweepers.

Carpet Sweepers will make complete, substantial Christmas pres- Feather, Gauze, China ents. No housekeeper should Silk, Satin, with bone or \$7.50 pair Welling now for \$6.50 pair be without one. Price \$2.50 wood Sticks at 75c, \$1.00, and \$3.50.

> Window Shades complete been marked less than half " 10.98 " with good spring rollers, price. " 13.47 " size 3 ft. by 7 ft. at 25c, 30c, " 18.32 " and 40c each.

Figured China Silk 75c, Curtain Poles, in wood or Supporter, in Silver, Gold brass, 25e and up.

> Straw Matting at 14c, 16c, Oil Cloth Rugs for stoves

READ.

Pin Cushions uncovered

Head Rests 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c and \$2.00.

Down Pillows 75c, 95c and \$1.30. Fancy Sofa Pillows \$2.00,

\$2.50 and \$3.00, Tinted Table Covers, 25c, 35e, 50e, 75e and \$1.00.

Linen Fringes, all colors 10c a yard. New assortment of plain and figured China Silk, 60e,

75e and \$1.00 a yard. Pillow Shams, 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50

\$2.75, \$3.00 and \$3.50 a pair. Just received 10 pieces of Japanese Cloth, this cloth is very popular. We have marked it only 30c a yard, it

won't last long at that price. Also a new line of figured Satins at 35c.

We opened Saturday our new line of Christmas Fans -the assortment is very

\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 to \$3.50. All of our old Fans have

The Latest Parisian Novelty--"The Henrietta" Dress

patterns at 25c. Silver Buckles, 25c, 30c, 35e and 50c.

and Black, in a variety of

The best line of 5c and 10c Stick Pins in town.

A new assortment of

who desired to catch them napping, and consequently none of them fell into the trap. It subsequently none of tempted that while the man was not engaged directly by the laterstate commission, he was employed by Special Agent John G. Taylor, of the interstate commission, who ascured the indictment by the fed
Their friendship extended and limitly he proposed marriage to ner and was according to never and to never a transfer to never and to never a transfer to never and the limits to never a transfer to never and the proposed marriage to ner and was according to never a transfer to never a t

There is a baker in Topeka who is after the dough." Jim McCabe's boom for city engineer

needs a chaperona. A horse-show has been suggested for county where Latin is taught, the benefit of Ingleside.

The beautiful Topeka weather made at the First Presbyterian church. congregations large yesterday.

her sickness and had no reason to think of a job, is visiting a brother in St. Louis, order that the court will not begin busi- equal. Six or eight applications were The city schools will dismiss Wednes-

day evening for Thanksgiving holidays. were \$503,929, an increase of 38 per

W. A. S. Bird instituted a new tribe of sion on Louis Martin and those of his the Order of Red Men at Burlingame last week.

> sign l'il pass," said a Harrison school boy today. Miss Florence Packard has succeeded George W. Berry as teacher of the Paul-

Wm. Neale, late general foreman of than creamery butter is. the secretary of state-elect, is moved to the Santa Fe shops, will move to his farm

She is at the Copeland.

per says he has not made a cent out of rhage between the wheels. She was not | But having rejected it upon the sole

Mrs. Starkey, have returned from Boston where they have been visiting this sum-

mer.

Miss Belle Bennett, who was principal his line. of Euclid school last year, is now teacher of English in a seminary in Cape Colony, chasing between St. Joe and Trinidad

bicycle thieves.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS. recently come to town, is laying himself THE MAYOR'S POSITION. liable in several places every evening to

arrest under the lottery law. Robert A. Reed, who teaches 12 miles southeast of the city, has a class to Latin. Rev. A. S. Embree will preach the an-

R. J. Slost, who is now a statesman out Police Judge Ensminger has issued an old soldier where other things were ness hereafter until half past 8 o'clock. | filed and all carefully considered. The

of the bargain.

voices like rearing lions." know all about such things, says that the defeated upon the sole-ground that no

Mrs. Ross Burns has returned from poris team a few days ago.

Boston and will spend the winter here. At the First Christian church Thurs. but deemed it my duty to respect and he is at the Copeland.

Judge Hazen decided Saturday night lng of all the members of the action of the council.

of Pythias will give its first ball of the ter of Eighth street and Jackson, Satur-season Wednesday evening.

United States Commissioner Ed. Wage-girl was thrown from a seat in the car-

turn trip from Chicago and resumed his make any other appointment journey yesterday. The Sania Fe shops | eer since John Rogers was relieved over

U. S. PAPERS SHUT OUT.

Into Armenia. more than a week hunting for Topesa cent edict calling for the seizure at the gineer. A North Topeka girl says she doesn't frontier of foreign newspapers contain-understand how life is worth living to a log accounts of the American massacrea gineer was taken under an honest mis-At the meeting of the Saturday Night upon the part of the Turkish government

On the City Engineer Matter as Explained

This is the only country school in the slon that may exist regarding an alleged of the council, and in obedience thereto war between the mayor and council over close the engineer's office. the appointment of city engineer. There | So much depends upon the city engi-John Ritchle has completed the side nual Thanksgiving sermon at the union is no war so far as the mayor is conserved. A vacancy was caused by the skill and unquestioned integrity and so cerned. A vacancy was caused by the resignation of Mr. Kingman. I waited brioty, and back of all that, as the law Many fish in the streams about Topeka man is going to live at the Copeland this opportunity to present their claims and interest in the people against suy misfeasance or to get the bell boys to "go fetch."

The Kansas City Star says: Jim Trout a reasonable time to give applicants an wisely provides, should stand his bond opportunity to present their claims and official oath to protect the city and recommendations. I had no interest in the people against suy misfeasance or the matter except to do the very best pos-It is getting towards winter now and sible for the public service and favor the This is out of the ordinary. Two To- weight of commendation seemed to be those who read of the wonderful sand-

name at the next meeting. Action was deferred until the next regu-Maurice Gould, a member of the that he was perfectly satisfactory if the Grande furnish miragic views Washburn college foot ball team, is city had to have an engineer at all. I astonish and charm the beholder. The greater number of farmers now drawing \$15 a week from an accident must accept those statements and that. Wide spreading lakes tantalize the unhave to hand water for house use. The insurance company. He hart his should vote as the honest and truthful conviction sophisticated traveler or hunter. A bufder in the game with the college of Em- tions of the council. I thought the de- falo skull, with a raven perched upon cision unwise and so stated at the time,

not to disselve the attachment against church who will report what progress The law says that the appointment the proportions of a lion, and in the Dr. Burkett's drug stock. The law says that the appointment the proportions of a lion, and in the days of the buffalo a herd seemed often Calla division uniform rank Kuights bled on the street car tracks at the cor-

People Coming to America.

Washington, Nov. 26.—The annual report of Superintendent Stump, of the immigration bureau, for the facility and anding June 30, 1894, shows a very manual report of Superintendent Stump, of the council and to Colonel Tweeddale was perfectly satisfactory in the statements circulating at St. Peterstanding at St. Peterstanding at St. II. Wade, general manager of the Southern California railway, a part of the Santa Fe, was in Topeka Saturday in the Council and to Colonel Tweeddale, then, diverging opinions, but in continuous arrived at the council and to Colonel Tweeddale, then, diverging opinions, but in continuous arrived at the same of the statements circulating at St. Peterstanding at St. Peter There has been no deputy city engin-

> here will build several new coaches, for a year ago. There were two employes in the office neither of whom was ap-pointed by me nor confirmed by the council to the places they were Undersheriff Tom Wilkerson has been Turkey Will Not Allow Their Entrance ing and they were not under bonds for whom the German professor wished to the care of the office or the discharge of conceal the truth as long as possible, Constantinophe, Nov. 26. The re- the duties required by law of a city en- out of regard for her delicate health and

> man whose moustache is so big he can't prohibits the entry of every American conception as to what its legal effect would be. A mere employe could not that a quarrel between the doctors will conception as to what its legal effect be legally left in charge of the office nor ensue, as in 1888 after Emperor Fredclub Saturday evening at Justice Furry's sumed by the American press toward Oliver Wendell Holmes.
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> Is supposed to be due to the attitude aspector of the office nor perform any of the duties. Nor could a crick's death.—Berlin Letter. Mr. Thanksgiving Turkey, who has Window Glass at Holme's Drug Store. Special purpose and then discon-tinued. The law does not author. Its West Eighth street.

any such proceeding, provides that the city engineer shall be a permanent officer, who shall hold the position for two years, or the balance of the term, ending May I, 1895, I could not I wish to correct an erroneous impres- do otherwise than respect that decision

T. W. HARRISON.

Mirage on the Western Plains. Probably but a small proportion of Topeka's bank clearances last week peka men who recently got hold of each him the appointment pending the meetback, each declaring that he got the best ing of the council and presented his erts are aware that the same phenomena Objection was made on the ground that in our own country. Along the borders A Topeka woman who listened to the singing of three young men and a young woman who are going to Africa next woman who are going to Africa next woman who are going to Africa next Col. Twoeddale was perfectly satisfactory Oregon, on the Gila desert in Arizona. "I got 90 in grammar, but that ain't no month as missionaries, says "they have in case any engineer was required at all. and in the Pecos valley of New Mexico the sand dunes change their forms with A Topeka doctor who is supposed to lar meeting when his confirmation was every passing wind, and the dry and shimmering plains of Kansas and Nebutter men to the contrary notwithstand-ing, oleo is chemically purer as a food again expressly stating that there was no and on the upper portions of the Rio personal objection to Col. Tweeddale and and on the upper portions of the Rio Grande furnish miragic views which

> it, becomes a white steed bearing a sable rider. The covote sneaking across the field of vision a mile away assumes parently floating. - Recreation.

The Quarrellog Dectors. Professor Leyden, since returning to

Berlin, has spoken frankly about the case of the dead emperor. He said that sultations the doctors always arrived at an amicable compromise. The statement that a quarrel had taken place about Dr. Zacharin's frankness with the late exar was a misunderstood report. It was the czarina, not the czar, from because he believed the full knowledge I think the action of the council de- of the situation could be of no use to ent opinion. It, however, is not probable

Prescott & Co have removed to N .